

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Finance Department - Disciplinary case – Imposition of punishment – Appeal – Rejected - Orders issued

FINANCE (OP.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 404

Dated.04-02-2009

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.661, Finance (OP.I) Department, dated.19-02-2008
2. Representation of Sri B. Anand Raj, Section Officer, Finance Department, Dt.15-10-2008.

ORDER:

In the G.O. 1st read above Sri B. Anand Raj, Section Officer, Finance Department was imposed with a punishment of stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect for irregularly processing medical advance in respect of Sri Syed Ameen Ahmed, Senior Accountant, District Treasury, Karimnagar, while working as Sub Treasury Officer, Karimnagar.

2. Sri B. Anand Raj, formerly STO, Karimnagar now working as Section Officer, Finance Department in his appeal submitted to the Government in the reference 2nd read above represented for review of the punishment imposed on his and rescind the orders of punishment issued in G.O. 1st read above on the following grounds.

1. He was fully dependent on APIMA Rules while processing the cases for grant of medical advance / reimbursement.
2. He was totally unaware of the executive orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.86, Fin., dt.1-6-1992.
3. There is no malafied intention behind processing the case of grant of medical advance.
4. The irregularity pointed out was occurred due to ignorance only but not intentional or deliberate.
5. In the case of a Sub Treasury Officer, Medak in which ACB found fault for not declaring the cash possessed by him over and above the permissible amount in the prescribed register on whom punishment of stoppage of one increment without cumulative effect imposed was reviewed by Govt., and issued orders setting aside the punishment vide G.O.Rt.No.3295, Fin.(Admn.III) Dept., dt.6-8-2008.

3. Government examined his appeal and found that the grounds on which Sri B. Anan Raj sought for dropping of the punishment imposed on him do not merit any consideration as being an experienced Sub Treasury Officer with audit powers, he should know the rule position thoroughly. Pleading ignorance of rules cannot be expected from such a senior employee with 32 years of service and holding a responsible position in an audit wing.

4. The comparison made by him that in a precedent case STO who had not declared excess cash held by him, was reviewed by the Government and the punishment was rescinded, cannot be applied in this case, as both the punishments and the lapses committed are not similar. As such, case has to be evaluated on its own merits individually, the punishment imposed on Sri B. Anand Raj, former STO cannot be compared with this case.

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5. Government therefore, after careful examination of the appeal of Sri B. Anand Raj, former STO, Karimnagar and now working as Section Officer, Finance Department is hereby rejected.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (R&E)

To
Sri B. Anand Raj, Section Officer,
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